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\$5000 REWARD OFFERED IN MURDER ARREST ATF DISPLAYS TRUE CAMARADERIE

DETROIT- The Detroit Police Department (DPD) and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF) will hold a joint news conference today announcing a reward made available concerning the murder of off-duty Detroit Police Officer Charles Phipps, 33. Due to the benevolent relationship between the two law enforcement agencies, *the ATF is offering a \$5000 reward for anyone who provides information that leads to the arrest and prosecution of the person(s) responsible for the murder of the nine-year veteran officer.*

The Detroit Police Department is currently urging concerned citizens who may have witnessed the incident or since become aware of about information pertaining to the whereabouts of the suspects wanted in connection with the crime to contact authorities. The fatal shooting occurred on Detroit's West Side near the intersection of Joy Rd. and Longacre around 3:30 a.m. In addition to the shooting death of Officer Phipps, it is believed that the suspects are responsible for at least 3 additional crimes that have taken place recently. It is imperative that an arrest is soon made to prevent the possibility of further criminal activity by the group of individuals. It is anticipated that the generous reward being offered by the ATF will encourage tipsters to come forward and provide information.

Tipsters can call **1-800-ATF-GUNS (283-4867)** or Detroit Police Homicide at **313-596-2260**

WHO: Detroit Police Department (DPD) and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF)

WHEN: FRIDAY, APRIL 28, 2006 at 3:30PM

WHERE: DETROIT POLICE HEADQUARTERS (3rd floor Conference Room)

